REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 1-3 remain pending. Reconsideration and reexamination of the application, as amended, are requested.

The Examiner objected to Figs. 3A-6B by indicating that they should be designated by the legend --Prior Art-- since what is illustrated is conventional. A corrected set of drawings has been submitted.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Examiner's comments have been considered, and claim 1 has been amended.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and reexamination are requested. Allowance of claims 1-3 at an early date is solicited.

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FIG. 3A (PRIOR ART)

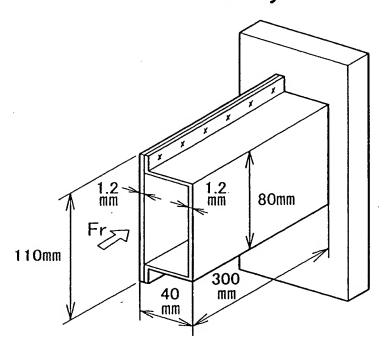
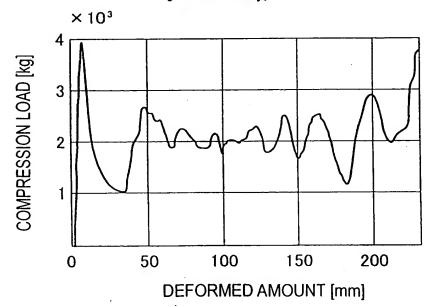


FIG. 3B (prior art)



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FIG. 4A (PRIOR ART)

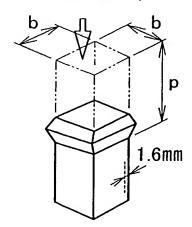
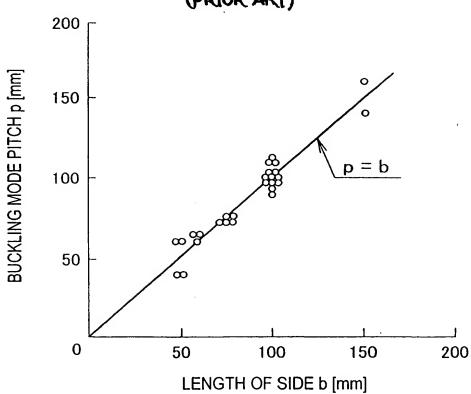


FIG. 4B (prior art)



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FIG. 5A (prior art)

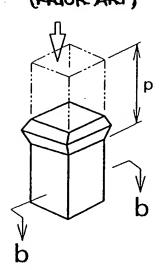
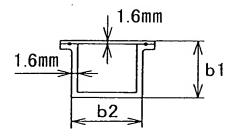
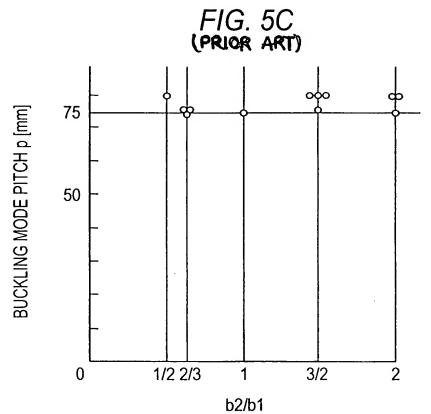


FIG. 5B LPRIOR ART)



$$b1 + b2 = 150 \text{ mm}$$
 (CONSTANT)



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FIG. 6A (PRIOR ART)

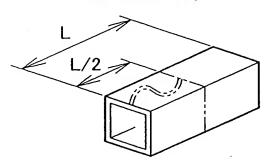
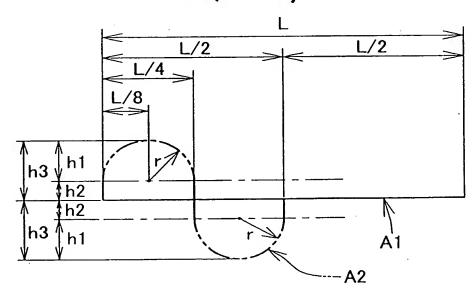


FIG. 6B (PRIOR ART)



$$r = L/8 = 0.125 \times L$$

 $h1 = r = 0.125 \times L$
 $h2 = (L - 2 \times \pi \times r)/4 = 0.054 \times L$
 $h3 = h1 + h2 = (0.125 + 0.054) \times L = 0.18 \times L$